

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S12563–S12646

Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2841–2845, and S. Res. 371. **Page S12618**

Measures Considered:

Service Members Home Ownership Tax Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 3590, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the first-time homebuyers credit in the case of members of the Armed Forces and certain other Federal employees, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

By a unanimous vote of 98 yeas (Vote No. 367), Pryor Amendment No. 2939 (to Amendment No. 2786), to require the Secretary to provide information regarding enrollee satisfaction with qualified health plans offered through an Exchange through the Internet portal. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having achieved 60 affirmative votes, be agreed to.)

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Withdrawn:

By 43 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 368), Gregg Amendment No. 2942 (to Amendment No. 2786), to prevent Medicare from being raided for new entitlements and to use Medicare savings to save Medicare. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, the amendment be withdrawn.)

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Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 2786, in the nature of a substitute.

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Nelson (NE) Amendment No. 2962 (to Amendment No. 2786), to prohibit the use of Federal funds for abortions.

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McCain motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Finance, with instructions. **Pages S12603–09**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, December 8,

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2009, and that following leader remarks, the time until 12:30 p.m. be for debate only with the time equally divided and controlled between the two Leaders, or their designees, with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each, and with the Majority controlling the first hour, and the Republicans controlling the next hour. **Page S12646**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Bill Delahunt, of Massachusetts, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-fourth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Elaine Schuster, of Florida, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-fourth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Christopher H. Smith, of New Jersey, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-fourth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Wellington E. Webb, of Colorado, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-fourth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Laura Gore Ross, of New York, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sixty-fourth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.) **Pages S12645–46**

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